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| | OF CHEMOKINE RECEPTOR |

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Preliminary Amendment

Sir:

Prior to examination of this application on the merits, applicants wish to amend the specification to reflect the priority claimed.

Any additional fees required in connection with this amendment may be taken from Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755. In format, applicants seek to comply with the proposed revisions to 37 C.F.R. 1.121 scheduled for implementation July of 2003.

The Amendment to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

The Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

A Declaration is enclosed.

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